## Cerving Instrustons

The next big thing in pumpkin carving is here! Two pumpkins are carved and combined to make one fantastic jack-o'-lantern! Each of these sets consists of 2 patterns — an outside pumpkin pattern and an inside pumpkin pattern. Choosing your pumpkins is the most important part because you want one pumpkin to fit inside another.

Pick the right pumpkins

Start by choosing a large outside pumpkin that will fit the patterns you've chosen to carve. The smaller pumpkin should be about 3"- 4" smaller (measuring across pumpkin) than the large pumpkin. For an easier method, just choose a pumpkin 1/4 to 1/2 the size of your outside pumpkin. There are more tips for fitting

your two pumpkins together later in the instructions.

For Pumpkin Prisoner and Bat Cave, you can use a large pie pumpkin for the inner pumpkin designs.

**Prepare Pumpkins** 

Cut a large hole in the bottom of the outer pumpkin about the size of the diameter of the inner pumpkin.

Save the cut bottom, you may want to re-assemble these two pieces later.

Place the large pumpkin over the small pumpkin. If it is a tight fit, you may need to cut the stem off of the smaller pumpkin and slice a little off the back

with a saw. You may also need to reduce the smaller pumpkin's height by cutting off some of the bottom.

Once the pumpkins nest comfortably you're ready to clean, scrape and place the patterns.

Clean and Scrape

Clean out the seeds and strings with the Pumpkin Masters Scraper Scoop™ or flat-edge ice cream scoop.

Scrape inner pulp away from the area you plan to carve until the pumpkin wall is approximately 1" thick. **Attach Outer Pattern** 

Trim the pattern leaving a 1/2" border around the design. Tape the pattern to your pumpkin.

Make pattern fit smoothly with small folds at black slash lines. Tape folds in place.

Place the pattern so that the inner carving will be easily visible from the outer carving. You may want to enlarge the pattern if your pumpkin is oversized.

**Transfer Outer Pattern** 

For long lines, roll the Super Poker™ along design lines from end to end.
Use the longer, middle tip to poke along tight corners.

When all the lines are transferred, remove the pattern.

If the design is hard to see, connect the dots with a pen or dull lead pencil.

**Learn Sawing Skills** 

Use the Detail Saw.

Hold pumpkin in your lap.

Hold the saw like a pencil and saw steadily with a continuous up-and-down motion. Saw at a 90° angle to the pumpkin. Use gentle pressure, these saws are breakable if used incorrectly.



Carve Design

Saw dot-to-dot.

Work from the center of the design outward (1, 2, 3).

Remove and reinsert the saw to make corners.

Push the cut pieces out with your finger, not the saw blade.

This can help you place the pattern for

best viewing through the outer carving.

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Only the inner pumpkin needs to be illuminated, so place the light source inside now before you put the two pumpkins together.

For best results, use a battery-operated light, or Pumpkin Masters™
Candles and Holders\*. If using a candle, cut chimney vents in the top of both pumpkins to vent heat and create airflow.

## **Prepare & Carve Inner Pumpkin**

Clean out the inner pumpkin and place it inside the outer, carved pumpkin.
Rotate the inner pumpkin until the area you want to carve is in the best visible position.
Using a crayon or dull pencil, roughly outline the opening of the outer carving onto inner pumpkin.

This is an important step, especially if your two pumpkins are a tight fit. Place the pattern on the small pumpkin within the area you traced the outer carving. Transfer pattern and carve design as in steps 4-7.

## **Put Pumpkin Inside a Pumpkin**

There are two ways to put your creation together, depending on how big the pumpkins are.

If your outer and inner pumpkins are a tight fit and you had to cut a large bottom off of the outer pumpkin, place the inner pumpkin on the saved bottom piece of the outer pumpkin. Place the outer pumpkin over the inside pumpkin, turning it as necessary to align the two carvings. Secure the outer pumpkin onto its cut off bottom with toothpicks.

If you used a very small, or pie pumpkin for inner carving, it will probably need to be elevated inside the outer pumpkin so it shows through. Using a small bowl turned upside down as a pedestal works nicely.

